## **Introduced by Assembly Member Torrico**

February 25, 2009

An act to amend Section 16131.5 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to children.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 665, as introduced, Torrico. State adoption services: investment. Existing law provides for child welfare services, which are public social services directed toward, among other purposes, protecting and promoting the welfare of all children, including those in foster care placement.

Under existing law, the State Department of Social Services may provide state adoption services in a county that has not established a county adoption agency. Existing law requires the state to reinvest incentive payments, received through the implementation of specified provisions of federal law, for placement of older children into the child welfare system, in order to provide adoption services for older children.

This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to these provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 16131.5 of the Welfare and Institutions
- 2 Code is amended to read:

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1 16131.5. The state shall reinvest—any incentive payments

- 2 received through the implementation of the federal Adoption
- 3 Promotion Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-145) for placement of
- 4 older children, as defined in that act, into the child welfare system,
- 5 in order to provide adoption services for older children. Nothing
- 6 in this section shall be construed to supplant funds currently being
- 7 spent on programs to provide adoption services.